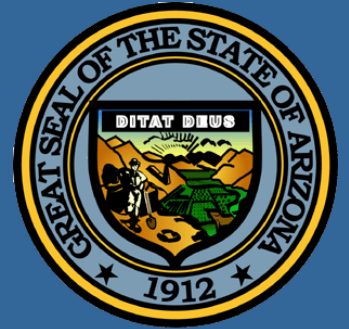


Education Jobs Fund Program



Governor's Office of Economic
Recovery

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- Education Jobs Fund provides \$10,000,000,000 nationally for the purpose of educational instruction
 - Over 160,000 education jobs will be protected
- Leverages language from SFSF; omits sections of the law that are not applicable
- Funding will not be distributed to IHE's nor extend the Governor's Services Fund
- Funding may ONLY be disbursed to LEAs
- Funding will be distributed directly to eligible LEAs
 - Public School Districts and Non-profit Charters

Funding

- .5% allocated to the Secretary of the Interior for schools operated or funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs
- U.S. Department of Education receives up to \$1,000,000 for administration
- Arizona allocation- \$211,824,489
- Arizona will reserve 2% for administrative expenses- \$4,236,489.78
- If administrative expenses are not fully utilized then funding will be re-allocated to LEAs

Funding

- Arizona's LEAs will receive \$207,600,000.00
- Funding distribution:
 - State's primary elementary and secondary funding formulae
 - October 1, 2010 Equalization Base
- Allocations range from \$1,200 to almost \$13,000,000

Timeline

- States must make funding available for 2010-2011 School Year
- Funds can only be used for obligations made on or after August 10, 2010
- Funding must be allocated and used by LEAs by September 30, 2012 (if the individual LEA opts to extend the funding for the additional 12 months per the Tydings Amendment)

Governance

- A Governor may not direct how an LEA may use its Ed Jobs funds
- The State may not require an LEA to submit an application for Ed Jobs funds if the LEA has already submitted an SFSF application
- LEAs that have not submitted an SFSF application must submit an Ed Jobs application to the State to receive funds
- Final instructions are being developed by ADE in coordination with OER and will be forthcoming

Process-

LEA with approved SFSF Application

- LEAs will use Grants Management Enterprise (or Common Logon)
- Projects will be automatically generated for each LEA
- Those projects will be automatically rejected in the system, generating an email to your LEA's listed point-of-contact
- Upon receipt of rejection, LEAs will then have the opportunity to fill out specific sections needed to complete draw downs
 - Budget
 - Budget Line Items
 - Payment Schedule

Process-

LEA with approved SFSF Application

- If districts wish to draw down funding in the 2011-2012 school year then do not indicate a month for draw down.
- This will keep the funding for the project in RSP (or reserves) so that the system will carry the funding over for the next Fiscal Year
- Payments will be delivered in the same form that SFSF grants were distributed
 - Traditional Districts- funding will first go to County Treasurer's Offices
 - Non-Profit Charters- funding will go directly to your entity

Process-

LEA without previously approved SFSF Application

- Only applies to 15 LEAs
- LEAs will need to fill out an Education Jobs Fund application through ADE's Grants Management Enterprise (or Common Logon)
- If you are not already registered, you will need to complete paperwork through ADE
 - Contact Grants Management Department at 602-542-3695
- Application will mirror SFSF applications regarding educational assurances and will require the same draw down of information
 - Budget
 - Budget Line Item
 - Payment Schedule
- If entities want to draw down funding in the 2011-2012 school year, then entities will need to follow the same instructions as previously noted
- Applications must be approved before funding is disbursed

Eligible Expenses

- An LEA may use EduJobFunds to fund among other things:
 - Retain existing staff
 - Hire new staff
 - Restore reductions in salaries and benefits
 - Implement salary increases
 - Eliminate previously scheduled furlough days

Eligible Expenses

- “May be used only for compensation and benefits and other expenses, such as support services, necessary to retain existing employees, to recall or rehire former employees, and to hire new employees, in order to provide early childhood, elementary, or secondary educational and related services; and
- May not be used for general administrative expenses or for other support services expenditures as those terms were defined by the National Center for Education Statistics in its Common Core of Data as of the date of enactment of this Act”

Accountability and Reporting

- Cash management rules apply
 - Funding must be expended on a reimbursement basis
- LEAs must maintain records that separately track and account for EduJobFunds
 - Arizona Auditor General is currently reviewing program information
 - Will provide further guidance as needed
- LEAs must fulfill reporting requirements under section 1512 of ARRA
- LEAs must complete Cash Management and Completion Reports

Accountability and Reporting

- The GOER is the fiscal agent for the Education Jobs Fund Program
 - Required to monitor LEAs to ensure compliance with all applicable requirements
 - Additional information may be needed from LEAs as the U.S. Department of Education finalizes their monitoring plans
 - U.S. Department of Education is requesting annual reports and thus more information may be requested from LEAs as those reports are developed

Next Steps

- LEAs will receive final instructions for applying and drawing down funding
- Allocations and further information
 - <http://www.azrecovery.gov/agencies-governor-edujobs.html>
 - <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/educationjobsfund/applicant.html>
 - Information will also be distributed via email through the Grants Management System, ensure that your contact information is current

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